## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): An aminothiol compound, having a general formula I, structural formula selected from the group consisting of:

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$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^1 & R^2 \\
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R^3 & N & S & R^5
\end{array}$$

wherein R<sup>4</sup>-is aryl or alkyl of C1-C9;

R<sup>2</sup>-is aryl or alkyl of C1-C9;

wherein R<sup>2</sup>-is not phenyl as R<sup>4</sup>-is methyl or phenyl;

R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>-and N-form pyrrolidinyl, morpholinyl or piperidyl; and

R<sup>5</sup>-is H.

Claims 2-8 (canceled)

Claim 9 (original): The aminothiol compound as claimed in claim 1, which is used for catalyzing an asymmetric addition reaction of an organic metal compound and aldehyde.

Claim 10 (original): The aminothiol compound as claimed in claim 9, wherein said organic metal is Zn or Cu.

Claim 11 (new): An aminothiol compound, having a general formula I,

$$R^3$$
  $R^4$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^4$ 

wherein combinations of R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are selected from the groups consisting of:

 $R^1$  is methyl or i-butyl,  $R^2$  is phenyl,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$  and N form pyrrolidinyl, and  $R^5$  is H;

R<sup>1</sup> is benzyl, R<sup>2</sup> is phenyl, R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and N form pyrrolidinyl, piperidyl or pyrrolidinyl, and R<sup>5</sup> is H;

 $R^1$  is i-propyl,  $R^2$  is i-propyl,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$  and N form piperidyl, and  $R^5$  is H; and  $R^1$  is i-propyl,  $R^2$  is phenyl,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$  and N form morpholinyl, and  $R^5$  is H.